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5. METRO CO., LTD.

6. P.O. BOX 362, 215-217 RAJAWONGSE ROAD

7. BANGKOK

8. CONTACT: PRASERT TANTRONGSAKDI

9. TITLE: SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

OTHER OFFICIALS ARE: PLENGSAK PRAKASPESAT, DIRECTOR AND

PAUL MARY SUVIJ, VICE PRESIDENT.

10. PHONE: 2229154 11. TELEX: TH 2578

12. CABLE: METROCO

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23A. 28610/135 IMP.AGT.DIST. OF TEXTILE AND DYESTUFFS

23B. 28740/135 IMP.AGT.DIST. OF FERTILIZERS
23C. 28690/135 IMP.AGT.DIST. OF INDUSTRIAL CHEMICALS
23D. 33470/135 IMP.AGT.DIST. OF NON-FERROUS METAL
23E. 30790/135 IMP.AGT.DIST. OF PLASTIC PRODUCTS

24. FOREIGN SALES: NA

25. FINANCIAL REFS: BANGKOK METROPOLITAN BANK LTD., 2 CHALERM-KHET ROAD; ASIA TRUST BANK LTD., 80-82 ANUWONGSE ROAD; BANGKOK BANK LTD., 9 SUAPA ROAD, BANGKOK, THAILAND

26. TRADE REFS: BUCKMAN LABORATORIES, INC., 1256 NORTH MCLEAN BLVD., MEMPHIS, TENN. 38108; KERR-MCGEE CHEMICAL CORP., KERR-MCGEE CENTER, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73125; STAUFFER CHEMICAL CO., 636 CALIFORNIA STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 94108.

27. FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: AGENCY REP. OF BUCKMAN LABORATORIES, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE FOR CHEMICALS; KERR-MCGEE, OKLA-HOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA FOR BORAX; STAUFFER CHEMICAL CO., WESTPORT, CONN. FOR DDT; B.F. GOODRICH, AKRON, OHIO FOR HYCAR; AGRICO CHEMICAL CO., TULSA, OKLAHOMA FOR COMPOUND FERTILIZERS; J.M. HUBER CORP., EDISON, N.J. FOR SUPLEX CLAY; HOOKER INT'L, STAMFORD, CONN. FOR RESINS; ENGELHARD INDUSTRIES, ITALY FOR LIQUID GOLD AND SILVER; S.C.M. GLIDDEN CLEVERLAND, OHIO FOR FRIT; PROCTER & GAMBLE CHEMICAL, CINCINNATI, OHIO FOR LAURYLALCOHOL; KAO-ATLAS, JAPAN FOR SUR-FACTANT; ECKART WERKE, GERMANY FOR ALUMINUM PASTE AND POWDER. UNCLASSIFIED

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28. POST EVALUATION: METRO CO., LTD. WAS INCORPORATED IN 1963 WITH AN AUTHORIZED CAPITAL OF \$500,000 TO ACT AS IMPORTER, AGENT AND DISTRIBUTOR OF TEXTILE DYESTUFFS, FERTILIZERS, INDUSTRIAL CHEMICALS, NON-FERROUS METAL AND PLASTIC PRODUCTS. FIFTY PERCENT OF ITS IMPORTS ARE FROM THE U.S. WITH THE REMAINDER FROM FRANCE, THE NETHERLANDS AND JAPAN. METRO IS CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH THE FOLLOWING FIRMS: THAI CENTRAL CHEMICALS CO., PRODUCER OF FERTILIZERS; UNITED FLOUR MILL CO., PRODUCER OF WHEAT FLOUR; UNITED SILO AND SERVICES CO., OPERATOR OF SILOS; INTERNATIONAL WAREHOUSING CO., STORER OF COMMODITIES. ITS ANNUAL TURNOVER WAS REPORTED TO BE APPROXIMATELY \$100,000,000. FIRM IS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE FRANCO-THAI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. LOCAL BANK REPORTS FAVORABLY ON THE SUBJECT; IT IS CONSIDERED TO BE A GOOD TRADE CONTACT FOR U.S. FIRMS.

29. PREP: SATHIT/SOMSAK APPR: JAMES H. SAVERY WHITEHOUSE

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